



Sustainable Tennessee: Bridging Conversations, Showcasing Solutions A Sustainable TN Regional Opportunity Forum

Thursday, January 24, 11:45am – 8pm University of Tennessee, Student Center, Knoxville



ORGANIZING PARTNERS: Environmental Leadership Program Southeast Regional Network, Tennessee Environmental Council, Tennessee Conservation Voters

Local Host: University of Tennessee, Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment

Local Co-Hosts: Tennessee Interfaith Power and Light





Full Day (includes lunch and dinner, 11:45am - 8pm)\$30Senior/Student Rate:\$20Half Day (includes lunch, 11:45am - 4:30pm)\$25Senior/Student Rate:\$15Evening Session (includes dinner, 4:30pm - 8pm)\$10Senior/Student Rate:\$5

11:00 AM Registration

11:45 AM – 1:30 PM Bridging Conversations: Welcome, Panel Discussion, and Lunch Panelists representing social justice, faith-based, business and environmental organizations and agencies in East Tennessee share their experiences forging non-traditional partnerships to address environmental issues. Moderated by Kevin Bryan, Meridian Institute, Washington, DC.

1:45 PM – 4:00 PM Showcasing Solutions: Regional Examples of Diversifying the Eco Community ELP Fellows Sarah Barmeyer (Georgia Wildlife Federation), Ben Gerhardstein (Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University & Livable Communities Coalition), and Omar Muhammad (South Carolina Department of Natural Resources) briefly present examples from across the Southeast of diversifying the environmental community to solve local issues. A moderated conversation, with audience members sharing their own stories of solutions follows.

4:00 PM – 4:45 PM *Networking Social and Light Dinner; Registration for new arrivals* Poster displays and resources tables.

5:00 PM – **5:30 PM** Sustainable Tennessee: What's It All About? How Do I Get Involved? The Tennessee Environmental Council, Tennessee Conservation Voters, and 2007 Summit for a Sustainable Tennessee attendees report on the Summit outcomes, next steps, and how to get involved.

5:30 - 7:30 PM What Is Your Vision for a Sustainable Tennessee? Participants move through a World Café conversation model to share their vision for a sustainable Tennessee. Topics to be addressed will include Quality Growth and Sustainable Design and Development, Healthy Communities, Natural Infrastructure, and Sustainable Energy.

7:30 – 8:00 PM Review of Evening's Discussions and Next Steps

8:00 PM Good byes and announcement for optional evening social